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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:		
Applicants	:	Constantine Tsikos and C. Harry Knowles
Application Serial No.:		10/068,803
Filing Date	:	February 6, 2002
Title	:	BIOPTICAL PRODUCT AND PRODUCE IDENTIFICATION SYSTEMS EMPLOYING PLANAR LASER ILLUMINATION AND IMAGING (PLIIM) BASED SUBSYSTEMS
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Honorable Commissioner of Patents
and Trademarks
Washington, DC 20231

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED MAY 19, 2005

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed in the present Application on May 19, 2005, Applicants submit the following amendments to the same:

AMENDMENT OF THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 263 and 265 without prejudice or disclaimer and amend claims 264 and 266 as follows:

OK to add 9/21/2005

Claims 1-263 (canceled)

Claim 264 (currently amended): ~~The bioptical system of claim 263,~~ A bioptical system which comprises:

a housing having a bottom portion and a side portion;

bottom and side light transmission apertures formed in said bottom and side portions, respectively;

a first imaging window mounted over said first light transmission aperture, and a second imaging window mounted over said second light transmission aperture;

a bottom planar laser illumination and imaging (PLIIM) based subsystem mounted within said bottom portion of the housing, and producing and projecting a first planar coplanar laser

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